

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Atty. Docket

Bernard J. A. Stommen et al. NL030986US1

Serial No. 10/567,220 Group Art Unit: 2121
Conf. no. 9547

Title: POSITIONING APPARATUS, GRAVITY COMPENSATION DEVICE AND METHOD FOR COMPENSATING GRAVITATIONAL FORCES

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed December 2, 2008, please amend the above-identified application for consideration in a Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently with this Amendment, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.